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February 21, 2007

Traffic Engineering Section
Att: Danielle C. Bolan
Montana Department of Transportation
2701 Prospect Avenue
Helena, MT 59620

Subject: Speed Zone Study Request

Based on the procedures outlined at the recent meeting, Ravalli County requests the Montana Department of Transportation to conduct a speed limit investigation on US 93 at the intersection with Secondary 269, Stevi "Y". It is our understanding that Department personnel will present the findings of the investigation and the Department's recommendation to County officials.

It is also our understanding that Ravalli County will have 60 days after receiving the recommendations and findings to transmit comments to you. Those comments submitted by Ravalli County, as well as the Montana Department of Transportation's final recommendation, will be presented to the Montana Transportation Commission for action.

All speed limit changes, as approved by the Montana Transportation Commission, will be implemented as soon as possible after receiving notification of approval.

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Subject:

Speed Zone Study Request US 93 - Stevensville "Y"

Our office has received a request for a speed zone study on US 93 in the Stevensville "Y" area. As per state statute the Montana Department of Transportation is required to conduct an engineering and traffic investigation prior to establishing a special speed limit.

It is our policy that all speed limit investigations be conducted in cooperation with the local governing authority. It is also our policy to meet with the local governing agency prior to conducting a speed limit investigation. This meeting typically includes the County Commission and all concerned law enforcement officers.

We realize some Commission members may have attended similar meetings in the past, and you have the right to waive it. However, we do suggest that if there has been significant change in Commission members or if there are public issues associated with changing the speed limit a meeting would be beneficial.

To schedule a meeting or if you have any questions or comments, please contact Doug Bailey at 444-6220. If you do not wish to hold a meeting, we will need your written notification before we are able to proceed with a speed zone study.

Danielle C. Bolan, P.E.

Traffic Engineer

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